

foundly skilled;¹ assure to us all desirable things;—

3. Since thou art truthful and worthy of sacrifice,
O most youthful, son of strength a&d everywhere
honoured with offerings.

4. This AGOT is the lord of
hundredfold and
thousandfold food; he is the head, the seer,
(the
lord) of wealth.²

5. O ANGIRAS, with the deities associated in
the
invocation, draw this offering near
thee as the
EIBKUS (bend) the circumference of a wheel.³

6. YIRIJA, with constant voice⁴ address thy
praise Varga
to this well-pleased⁵ showerer (of blessings).

7. "What strong enemy shall we overthrow[^]
to win
lone, by the help of the host⁶ of this Aem of
un-
measured radiance?

8. May he not (forsake) us, the liegemen
of the
gods, as the milk-streaming cows (forsake
not); the
kine abandon not -a little (calf).

9. Let not the onset of any evil-miaded
adversary
harm us as the wave (overwhelms) a ship.

¹ Sayana explains *vidushtaras* as *vidvattamdn*; "bttt it is really an epithet of Agni, " thou most wise."

² *Tajur F*". 15. 21. ^Tahidhara takes *miLrclJid* with *rayindm*,

" thou who art the head (or best) of wealth."

³ Cf. Tii. 32. 20.

⁴ Sayana naturally takes *nityayd vdcM* as alluding to the eternal nature of the hymns, *utpatti-rdhitayd vdchd mantrarbpayd*.

* Sayana explains *dbhidyave* here as *abhigatatriptaye*; his more

usual explanation is *alMgafadiptaye*.

⁶ **Sayana explains " the host" as the rays.**

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